

Friday, September 26, 1997

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S9989–S10101

Measures Introduced: Ten bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 1223–1232 and S. Res. 128. Page S10055

Reports of Committees: Reports were made as follows:

Reported on Thursday, September 25, 1997:

Special Report entitled "Further Revised Allocation to Subcommittees of Budget Totals from the Concurrent Resolution for Fiscal Year 1998". (S. Rept. No. 105–88) Page S9968

Reported today:

Report to accompany the S. 1015, to provide for the exchange of lands within Admiralty Island National Monument. (S. Rept. No. 105–90) Page S10055

Measures Passed:

ERISA: Senate passed S. 1227, to amend title I of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 to clarify treatment of investment managers under such title. Page S10026

Immigration Visa Waivers: Senate passed S. 1178, to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to extend the visa waiver pilot program, after agreeing to the following amendments proposed thereto: Pages S10026–28

McConnell (for Kyl/Leahy) Amendment No. 1254, to require a report on the development of an automated entry-exit control system. Pages S10026–27

McConnell (for Hutchison) Amendment No. 1255, to require a report on the estimate number of nonimmigrants seeking entry into the United States. Page S10027

McConnell (for Abraham) Amendment No. 1256, to revise authority in fiscal year 1998 to cancel the removal of certain aliens. Page S10027

Public Housing Reform and Responsibility Act: Senate passed S. 462, to reform and consolidate the public assisted housing programs of the United States, and to redirect primary responsibility for these programs from the Federal Government to States and localities, after agreeing to a committee

amendment in the nature of a substitute, and the following amendment proposed thereto:

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McConnell (for Mack) Amendment No. 1257, in the nature of a substitute. Page S10050

Campaign Finance Reform: Senate began consideration of S. 25, to reform the financing of Federal elections. Pages S9994–S10026

Senate will resume consideration of the bill on Monday, September 29, 1997.

Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations:

Richard A. Lazzara, of Florida, to be United States District Judge for the Middle District of Florida.

Marjorie O. Rendell, of Pennsylvania, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Third Circuit.

Jeffrey Davidow, of Virginia, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Inter-American Foundation, for a term expiring September 20, 2002.

Robert L. Mallett, of Texas, to be Deputy Secretary of Commerce.

W. Scott Gould, of the District of Columbia, to be Chief Financial Officer, Department of Commerce.

W. Scott Gould, of the District of Columbia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Commerce.

Nancy Dorn, of the District of Columbia, to be Member of the Board of Directors of the Inter-American Foundation for a term expiring June 26, 2002.

23 Army nominations in the rank of general.

1 Marine Corps nomination in the rank of general.

11 Navy nominations in the rank of admiral.

Routine lists in the Air Force, Army, Coast Guard, Marine Corps, Navy, Public Health Service. Pages S10050–52

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Arthur Bienenstock, of California, to be an Associate Director of the Office of Science and Technology Policy.

Joseph B. Dial, of Texas, to be a Commissioner of the Commodity Futures Trading Commission.

James E. Hall, of Tennessee, to be a Member of the National Transportation Safety Board.

Alphonso Maldon, Jr., of Virginia, to be Deputy Secretary of Veterans Affairs. **Page S10100**

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 9 a.m., and adjourned at 3:45 p.m., until 12 noon, on Monday, September 29, 1997. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S10097.)

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

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Bills Introduced: 7 public bills, H.R. 2562–2568; 1 private bills, H.R. 2569; and 5 resolutions, H.J. Res. 94, H. Con. Res. 160, and H. Res. 246–248 were introduced. **Page H8054**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

Conference report on H.R. 2203, making appropriations for energy and water development for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1998 (H. Rept. 105–271);

H.R. 2487, to improve the effectiveness and efficiency of the child support enforcement program and thereby increase the financial stability of single parent families including those attempting to leave welfare, amended (H. Rept. 105–272);

H.R. 2165, to extend the deadline under the Federal Power Act applicable to the construction of FERC Project Number 3862 in the State of Iowa (H. Rept. 105–273);

H.R. 1262, to authorize appropriations for the Securities and Exchange Commission for fiscal years 1998 and 1999 (H. Rept. 105–274); and

H.R. 2472, to extend certain programs under the Energy Policy and Conservation Act (H. Rept. 105–275). **Pages H7917–H8003, H8053–54**

Order of Business—Continuing Resolution: It was made in order that the Committee on Appropriations be discharged from the further consideration of H.J. Res. 94, making continuing appropriations for the fiscal year 1998, when called up; and that it be in order at any time on Monday, September 29, 1997, or any day thereafter, to consider the joint resolution in the House; that the joint resolution be considered as read for amendment; that it be debatable for not to exceed one hour, to be equally divided and controlled by the Chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Appropriations; and that the previous question be considered

as ordered to final passage without intervening motion, except one motion to recommit, with or without instructions. **Pages H7915–17**

Commerce, Justice, State, and Judiciary Appropriations: The House continued consideration of amendments to H.R. 2267, making appropriations for the Departments of Commerce, Justice, and State, the Judiciary, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1998. The House completed general debate and considered amendments to the bill on September 24 and 25. **Pages H8003–22**

Agreed To:

The Burton of Indiana amendment that requires the Legal Services Corporation to implement a system of case information disclosure which shall apply to all basic field programs which receive funds; **Pages H8004–08**

The Mollohan substitute amendment to the Doggett amendment that prohibits any funds to be made available to promote the sale or export of tobacco except for restrictions which are not applied equally to all tobacco or tobacco products of the same type; **Pages H8009–13**

The Doggett amendment, as amended, that prohibits any funds to be made available to promote the sale or export of tobacco except for restrictions which are not applied equally to all tobacco or tobacco products of the same type; **Pages H8009–13**

The Gilman amendment, debated on September 25, that withholds not more than \$356.2 million from State Department salaries and expenses funding until the Secretary of State has made one or more designations of organizations as foreign terrorist organizations (agreed to by a recorded vote of 396 ayes to 6 noes with 6 voting "present", Roll No. 457); **Page H8017**

The Hoekstra amendment that prohibits any funds to be made available to pay the expenses of an